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January 24, 2019

**Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, January 28 7:00pm
Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

Guest: County Councilmember Sidney Katz

Councilmember Katz, who represents Council District 3, currently serves as the Council's Vice-President. He will discuss his perspective on the current and future environment for small businesses and other matters. His district includes Gaithersburg, Rockville, Washington Grove, Leisure World, and parts of Aspen Hill, Derwood, North Potomac and Potomac.

All board and committee meetings are open to the public!

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Montgomery County Council sends letter to federal leaders calling for an end to the government shutdown

On behalf of the entire Council, Montgomery County Council President Nancy Navarro sent a letter to President Donald Trump, Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi calling for an end to the federal government shutdown. The letter can be found at https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=22757



Montgomery County Cares!

Montgomery County established a new web portal where federal employees and contractors who live in the County, and who are impacted by the partial federal government shutdown, can go to find assistance provided by various organizations throughout the County. The web address is montgomerycountymd.gov/shutdown. See press release [here](#).

Summer Camp Fair
Saturday, January 26
North Potomac Community Recreation Center
13850 Travilah Road, Potomac

Montgomery County Recreation is hosting a summer camp fair where families can meet recreation staff and instructors, learn about financial aid, and register for summer camp. The summer camp fair is designed to showcase the wide variety of specialized summer camps offered by Montgomery County Recreation. There is no cost to attend the summer camp fair which will include demonstrations, raffles and giveaways. T-Rec, the Recreation mascot, will also attend. Visit <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec> for more information.

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County Executive Elrich's Public Forum on the Upcoming Operating Budget
Thursday, January 31 7:00pm
BlackRock Center for the Arts
12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown

The budget forum originally scheduled for January 14th has been rescheduled to Thursday, January 31st.

County Executive Marc Elrich is continuing a series of public forums to get comments and suggestions for his Recommended Operating Budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 (also referred to as FY2020). The fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30, and the new budget will become effective on July 1, 2019. Mr. Elrich will announce his Recommended Operating Budget on March 15 and will then send it to the County Council for their approval. The Council will hold public hearings to get additional public comments and will follow up with work sessions within the various Council committees. The County Council approves the operating budget at the end of May.

After the January 31st forum in Germantown, the remaining forum that will be on Monday, Feb. 4 – 7 p.m. – Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School, 4301 East West Hwy, Bethesda.

Check out the [budget presentation slides](#).

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Join Montgomery County's conversation about the FY20 Operating Budget on social media and help raise awareness by using #MoCoBudget20.

Upcoming Event!

Balancing Act Interactive Budget Forum
Monday, February 11 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Executive Office Building, Cafeteria
101 Monroe Street, Rockville

The County's Office of Management and Budget will hold a separate, interactive budget forum using a [budget simulator tool](#) called "Balancing Act." Balancing Act is a Montgomery County-developed, interactive tool to increase public engagement with the FY20 budget process. This new online tool will allow the County leaders to have a better understanding of the funding priorities of County residents. It will also give our residents a chance to experience the tough decisions made each day to keep our government operating. Visit the tool at montgomerycountymd.gov/budgetsimulator.

- [Register for the event.](#)

STEP UP: Stop Sexual Assault

The Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program (VASAP) works to reduce the incidence of rape and sexual assault through public education, media outreach and professional training. VASAP provides crisis and ongoing counseling, support and compensation services for victims of crimes committed in Montgomery County or crime victims who live in Montgomery County. VASAP volunteers provide 24-hour companion services to victims of rape, sexual assault and domestic violence at Montgomery County hospitals and police stations.

For more information, visit montgomerycountymd.gov/vasap.



DPS Launches New Website

The Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services (DPS) has launched a new website that provides better access to information and online services. From applying for permits to scheduling a design consultation to track construction activities, the new design puts the customer's needs first. Visit at montgomerycountymd.gov/dps or find more information from the [press release](#).

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council>

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dep>

Department of Permitting Services <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dps>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/partnerships>

Commission for Women <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>

Department of Health and Human Services www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhs